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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed November 14, 2006, Applicants elect the species 1 drawn to the embodiment of Figures 1-4. As noted by the Examiner, claims 1, 2, 5-11, 13, 14, 18, 20, 22, 24 and 27-29 read on the elected species. Applicants submit that claims 1, 2, 5-7, 14, 20, and 29 are generic. The election is made with traverse.

The Examiner is again reminded that this is a national stage application filed under 35 U.S.C. § 371. Therefore, unity of invention (not restriction) practice is applicable in this case. See, e.g., MPEP § 1893.03(d). It is believed that the Examiner inappropriately followed the restriction practice used in national applications filed under 35 U.S.C. § 111. Applicants further submit that, as evidenced from the Examination of the corresponding PCT application for which no lack of unity objection was given, a lack of unity rejection is not warranted for the pending claims. Rather, each of the pending claims is directed to an electrical appliance housing.

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